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Re: Libertarian National Congressional Committee, Inc., Identification No. C00418103, Response to Your Request for Information Dated January 25, 2006

Dear Ms. Daughtrey:

This letter responds to your letter dated January 25, 2006. In that letter, you requested information regarding the following matters:

1. The status of the Libertarian National Congressional Committee, Inc. (LNCC) as a national committee of the Libertarian Party.

The Libertarian National Committee (LNC) was recognized by the Commission as the national committee of the Libertarian Party in Advisory Opinion 1975-129. Early last year when the LNC first investigated the possibility of creating the LNCC as the national House campaign committee for the Libertarian Party, the LNC had its general counsel, William W. Hall, contact the Federal Election Commission to determine whether an additional FEC advisory opinion would be required in order to do so.

Your office directed him to Mr. Jonathan Levin in the FEC's Office of General Counsel. Mr. Hall spoke to Mr. Levin on February 8, 2005, concerning this novel situation. They discussed the facts that the FEC had already determined the LNC qualified as a national committee and in a typical Congressional election year, the Libertarian Party typically contests in excess of 100 Congressional races, and on at least a couple of occasions had contested in excess of one half of all Congressional races. Mr. Levin promised to consult internally at the FEC and reply with a suggested course of action. Approximately a week later, Mr. Levin called and advised Mr. Hall that in the informal opinion of the FEC, because the LNC had already been determined by the FEC to be the national committee of the Libertarian Party, no further advisory opinion would be necessary. Rather, the LNC should simply authorize the formation of the LNCC, and the LNCC should then file with the FEC as a national political party committee.

The LNC proceeded to do so in a letter dated October 28, 2005, signed by LNC Chair Michael Dixon, which read as follows:

This letter confirms that the Board of Directors of the Libertarian National Committee, Inc., a District of Columbia nonprofit corporation, which has been recognized by the Federal Election Commission as the National Committee of the Libertarian Party in the United States (committee number C00255695), designates the Libertarian National Congressional Committee, Inc., as the national House of Representatives campaign committee of the Libertarian Party.

We are separately mailing to you a copy of the letter signed by Mr. Dixon.

2. The name of any organization affiliated or connected with the LNCC. We confirm that by leaving the spaces in Line 6 of our Statement of Organization blank we did intend to convey the fact that there are no organizations affiliated or connected with the LNCC, within the meaning of FEC regulations.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any further questions.